QUEENSLAND
v
NEW SOUTH WALES

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 1987

SOUVENIR PROGRAM

PRICE: $2.00

EXCITING END TO A TOP YEAR

Today's match against New South Wales caps the biggest and most successful representative season ever undertaken by the Maroons.

Under the astute guidance of coach Bruce Stowell and Captain Frank Liddell, the Queensland side is yet to be beaten in five games over the past four months. In fact, the Maroons have not been beaten since they went down 1 - 2 to the Fiji national side in Suva in May 1985.

Queensland's representative program this season began with a two-match series against the Fijians in Brisbane in March. Despite the limited preparation, the Maroons trounced the exciting Fijians 3 - 1 in their opening fixture, with Coalstars' striker Mark Brusasco netting twice in his debut match. The return match, again at Perry Park three days later, was shrouded in controversy and was terminated in the 60th minute with the scores locked at 1 - 1.

Last month, the Queensland team flew the Maroon flag in New Zealand where they played in the four-team Auckland FA Centenary Tournament. The Maroons opened the tournament with a stylish 4 - 0 win over Tahiti, with Lions' striker Dave Wheeler this time netting two goals. Brusasco again found the net with Alan Niven being Queensland's other scorer.

In their second match, Queensland found New Caledonia to be determined and frustrating opposition, and despite a glut of possession, were held out to a scoreless draw. That result turned the final match against hosts Auckland into a tournament-decider with Queensland needing a win to take first place.

Although the game ended in a 1 - 1 draw with Brusasco again being the scorer, it was one of Queensland's finest performances. The team not only fought back from being a goal down in the second half, but rallied after the tragic first half loss of goalkeeper Rob Farrow who broke his leg.

"I have stuck by the squad that performed so well in New Zealand because I think those players should be given the chance to show the people the same high standard of football they produced in Auckland," said Stowell.

Queensland - New Zealand Tour, May 1987

Kneeling (left to right): John Ogden, Brett Druery, Russell Stewart, Steve Perry, Martin Kirsopp, Frank Mengotti.
Standing (left to right): Alan Vessey, Ian Brusasco, Bruce Stowell, Ian Dalzell, Richard Bassingthwaighte, Alan Niven, Dave Wheeler, Dave Gallagher, Rob Farrow, Jim Morton, Frank Liddell, Mark Gilbert, Mark Brusasco, Geoff Stead, Justin Coomber, Mike Dalgliesh.

SUNDAY'S BIG PROGRAM

11.30	Gates open.
12.30	Junior Under 8s Carnival commences.
1.25	Under 8s Semi-Final.
1.45	Entertainment.
2.15	Under 8s Final Kick-Off.
2.45	Under 8s Conclusion Presentation of Pennants.
3.00	QLD V NSW KICK-OFF.
3.45	Entertainment.
4.00	Kick-Off 2nd Half, Qld v NSW.
4.45	Match conclusion.

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ROBSON IS OUR MAN OF STEEL

When England Captain Bryan Robson transferred from West Bromwich Albion to Manchester United for nearly $4 million, he was destined to become one of the game's greats.

And the gutsy midfielder certainly did not let down his new club, nor his country. Indeed, if the 30-year-old Geordie was to switch clubs again, his transferr fee almost certainly would be double the last asking price.

In recent years Robson has led his country to the World Cup Quarter-Finals and his club to a triumph in the FA Cup Final at Wembley. And throughout his amazing rise to fame, Robson has battled a run of injuries which almost certainly would have ended the career of any lesser player.

But Robson is the man of steel. His robust, whole-hearted style has won him admirers around the world. And today he is set to capture the hearts and support of the parochial Queensland supporters when the Maroons take on New South Wales in the annual interstate clash.

Robson is one of the best-credentialled guest players ever to come to Australia, and undoubtedly the first player of his calibre and standing to appear here while still at the peak of his career. His style is certain to blend with that of Bruce Stowell's Queensland team, and together they will form a unit which the Blues will find difficult to beat.

Robson comes into a team that is defending its title as interstate champions, after beating NSW 1 - 0 at Perry Park last year. Today's game is undoubtedly the most important of the season. But the England captain has proved repeatedly that he is a big-match player.

One man cannot win a game, a point Robson will be first to admit. Only teamwork and total commitment for 90 minutes will ensure victory over NSW. Robson has never given less than 100 percent in any game and today will be no different.

Today, Bryan Robson may be our guest, but at the same time he is certain to typify the Queensland spirit.

PAST MATCHES

Results of recent clashes between Queensland and New South Wales.

	QLD	NSW		QLD	NSW
1986	1	0	1962	2	3
1985	1	3	1962	1	3
1984	0	2	1961	2	3
1983	3	0	1960	4	4
1978	2	2	1957	2	5
1970	0	3	1957	4	6
1964	0	6	1957	3	1
1962	3	4	1957	2	2

1987 INTERSTATE CHALLENGE — 3 p.m.

QUEENSLAND versus NEW SOUTH WALES

Coach: BRUCE STOWELL *Colours:* MAROON

Coach: ALAN VEST *Colours:* SKY BLUE

OFFICIALS: *Referee:* ..... BILL MONTEVERDE
Linesmen: ..... KEN ADRIAANSEN, TONY SLATER
4th Official: ..... BARRY POWER

TODAY'S TEAMS

SCORE: H.T.: ..... — ..... SCORERS: .....
F.T.: ..... — .....

Age: 24. Club: North Star. Came of age as top class keeper with two brilliant displays during the Qld tour of NZ. Currently in top form.	DAVE GALLAGHER	1
Age: 24. Club: Taringa R. A utility player who is equally at home in midfield or at the back. Tall and strong with a high workrate and crunching tackle.	MARK GILBERT	2
Age: 21. Club: Mt Gravatt. Former Sunderland youth player who came to Australia after a stint with Gisbourne in the NZ National League. A skilful playmaker.	MARTIN KIRSOPP	3
Age: 24. Club: Azzurri BC. A skilful defender with plenty of pace. Versatile player who loves to run the ball and shoot from well out.	FRANK MENGOTTI	4
Age: 33. Club: Lions. Team Captain. Former Hearts and St Johnstone player in second stint in Brisbane. Big-hearted defender who is strong in the air.	FRANK LIDDELL	5
Age: 31. Club: Lions. Former Socceroo leftback. Played 10 years of National League football with Lions. Talented left foot player who has a key role in set moves.	ALAN NIVEN	6
Age: 30. Club: Manchester United, Captain of England and Manchester United. A powerful player in the midfield position. Will be difficult to mark.	BRYAN ROBSON	7
Age: 27. Club: Lions. A versatile midfielder equally at home on the left or right. Good skills and an expert at swinging corners. Plenty of experience.	JOHN OGDEN	8
Age: 25. Club: Lions. Returned to the Queensland squad to score two goals in the opening NZ tour game against Tahiti. Skilful player and deadly finisher.	DAVE WHEELER	9
Age: 23. Club: Lions. Toured China with the Socceroos last year and Mexico with the 1985 Young Socceroos. A midfielder who can swing the game.	RUSSELL STEWART	10
Age: 30. Club: Lions. Former St Johnstone player in second season in Australia. Clever left-footed player with surprising turn of speed.	JIM MORTON	11
Age: 26. Club: Coalstars. Has scored four goals in four Queensland appearances. Tough targetman who provides an excellent foil for his fellow strikers.	MARK BRUSASCO	12
Age: 21. Club: Lions. Member of the Young Socceroos squad that went to Russia in 1985. Hard-running midfielder with a good shot.	RICHARD BASSINGTHWAIGHTE	13
Age: 22. Club: Lions. Former Rockhampton player with a habit of scoring unexpected goals. Lot of pace and full of running. Good on the turn.	BRETT DRUERY	14
Age: 32. Club: North Star. Versatile and reliable player presently playing sweeper. Played National League with Brisbane City and Lions.	BILLY WILLIAMSON	15
Age: 26. Club: Azzurri BC. Former state squad member who toured Fiji in 1985. Forced his way back into the squad with sound performances at club level.	WAYNE EVANS	20

Age: 26. Club: Apia. Socceroo Squad goalkeeper who had a season in Queensland with Brisbane City. Formerly with Sydney City.	TONY PEZZANO	1
Age: 21. Club: Sydney Olympic. Captain of the Young Socceroos team that went to the World Finals in the Soviet Union in 1985. A strong defender.	ROB HOOKER	2
Age: 27. Club: Apia. Team Captain. A rugged central defender who has played 14 times for Australia at full level in addition to being a former Young Socceroo.	ARNO BERTOGNA	3
Age: 22. Club: Sydney Olympic. A Young Socceroo who went to the World Finals in Mexico in 1983. A towering defender with good skills and fierce shot.	TONY DAKOS	4
Age: 21. Club: Apia. Played most of his football with Apia. A reliable and versatile defender with a good tackle. Hard to get past.	MARK BROWN	5
Age: 27. Club: Apia. Came from Yugoslavia and signed this year by Apia from Canterbury. A winger who is extremely fast and possesses good skills.	BURIN ZAJMI	6
Age: 23. Club: Marconi. A versatile player who went on the World Tour two years ago. Can play in a number of positions. Dangerous when coming forward.	IAN GRAY	7
Age: 26. Club: Marconi. A former Sydney City player with several Australian appearances. Gets many goals off set pieces and is hard to beat in the air.	GERRY GOMEZ	8
Age: 21. Club: Sydney Croatia. A fullback in the 1985 Young Socceroos' team; more of a utility player these days. Another from the Newcastle Soccer Nursery.	MARK JONES	9
Age: 27. Club: Apia. An exciting and entertaining midfielder. Legal studies have often hindered the development of the potential he displayed as a Young Socceroo.	PETER TREDINNICK	10
Age: 23. Club: Sydney Croatia. An unlucky omission from the 1983 Young Socceroos; now pushing for full team selection. Among the leading scorers in the NSL.	ROBBIE SLATER	11
Age: 23. Club: Marconi. From Newcastle, was a huge goalscorer in the 1983 World Youth Campaign. A typical goal-sniff with tight skills and a sharp turn.	DAVID LOWE	12
Age: 23. Club: Sydney Croatia. 1983 Young Socceroo, now close to full Socceroo selection. A tall, strong defender who previously was with Wollongong.	RAY VLIESTRA	13
Age: 23. Club: Apia. A speedy red-haired striker who will shoot from any angle. Was a key player in the 1983 Young Socceroos' campaign in Mexico.	ROD BROWN	14
Age: 18. Club: Sydney Olympic. Of Lebanese origin but learned all his football in Australia. Member of the current youth squad preparing for World Finals in Chile.	ABBAS SAAD	15
Age: 23. Club: Sydney Croatia. One of the most underrated goalkeepers in Australia. Went to Mexico with the Young Socceroos; unlucky to miss out on South Korea.	TONY FRANKEN	20

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Qld President's Message

It is with much delight and anticipation that I welcome Bryan Robson to Queensland for this great event.

Our Queensland representative side is going in to today's match with an unblemished record of no defeats since 1985.

After the powerful performance staged by the team on the New Zealand tour for the South Pacific Cup Competition, Queensland will be hard to beat. Now with the addition of such an outstanding footballer and sportsman like Bryan on the side, spectators are assured of an exciting game of unmeasurable value.

The NSW team are fielding a strong attacking side for today's match and will be out for Queensland's blood after the defeat they suffered in last year's state clash.

Thank you for supporting YOUR code.

Ian Brusasco,
President, Qld Soccer Federation.

NSW President's Message

The New South Wales Soccer Federation is again pleased to be participating in the annual interstate clash.

Last season the Queensland team thwarted the NSW team, achieving a hat trick of victories since the interstate clash was re-established five (5) years ago. NSW comes to Perry Park seeking to turn the tables on last year's result.

Our Coach, Alan Vest, and his squad are expecting a vigorous and hard-fought match. The NSW team will be out to entertain and we know Bruce Stowell and his team will be seeking to do likewise.

The NSW Federation would also like to commend the Queensland Soccer Federation for its initiative in arranging to have Bryan Robson, one of the world's most respected players, as a member of the Queensland line-up. No doubt Bryan Robson's participation in the match will give added value to the spectators for their admission fee.

The NSW team has a number of young players who are on the fringe of pushing their way into the national team. Queensland players also have a point to prove to Australian Soccer since the Sunshine State is not represented in the National League. These ingredients alone will ensure that today's game will be an excellent promotion for our sport.

I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to acknowledge the support given to the NSW team by the State Bank and Patrick Sportswear. I am confident that continued interstate rivalry in annual matches promoted in the fashion to today's game will continue to attract further corporate sector support.

John Constantine, O.A.M.,
President, NSW Soccer Federation.

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